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Application No. 10/602,173 )  
Filed: June 23, 2003 ) Group Art Unit: 3738  
For: ADJUSTABLE DILATOR ASSEMBLY )  
Examiner: Christopher D. Prone ) Attorney Docket No. ACU-125

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR §1.136(a) AND §1.17

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A one-month extension in the time for response to the Office Action dated October 23, 2006, i.e., to and including February 23, 2007, is respectfully requested.

There is submitted herewith the following:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111 (4 pp.)

Please charge the required fee of \$60.00 for a one-month extension of time to our Deposit Account No. 15-0508.

Kindly charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment concerning this matter to our Deposit Account No. 15-0508.

Respectfully submitted,

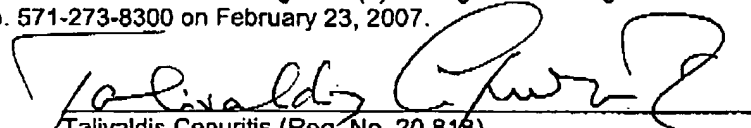
February 23, 2007

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